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SUBJECT: CONSULTATIONS WITH EC NINE AND ILO POLICY, APRIL 21

REF: (A) STATE 83285, (B) COPENHAGEN 1190

1. INITIAL CONSULTATION ON ILO POLICY WITH EC NINE WILL TAKE PLACE 1100 HOURS GENEVA TIME APRIL 21. UK AMBASSADOR TELL ME NINE WILL ASK US ABOUT LOCATION OF FUTURE CONSULTATIONS; HE MENTIONED GENEVA, WASHINGTON AND NEW YORK AS POSSIBILITIES. FOLLOWING IS MY UNDERSTANDING OF HOW I WILL RESPOND TO THE NINE. REQUESTING DEPARTMENT REACTION BY COB APRIL 20.

2. I WILL TELL NINE THAT I WILL FORWARD THEIR SUBSTANTIVE VIEWS AND SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE CONSULTATION TO WASHINGTON. IF THER APPEARS TO BE A SIGNIFICANT GAP BETWEEN THE
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SUBSTANTIVE POSITIONS OF THE NINE AND THE U.S., I WILL

NOTE THIS BUT NOT ARGUE THE POINTS. AFTER THE MEETING, WE WILL BRIEF THE JAPANESE, CANADIANS AND AUSTRALIANS ALONG THE LINES OF PARA 5 REF B. WE WILL ALSO INFORMALLY LET THE PERMREPS OF THE NINE IN GENEVA KNOW THE ISSUES ON WHICH WE FEEL THERE IS SUBSTANTIAL DISAGREEMENT. THE PURPOSE OF THIS EXCERCISE IS, AS AMBASSADOR SILVERMAN HAS POINTED OUT (PARA 5, REF B), TO FOCUS THE ATTENTION OF THE EC NINE LABOR MINISTERS MEETING ON APRIL 30 ON POLICY DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THEM AND US.

3. ON THE FORM AND LOCATION OF FUTURE CONSULTATIONS, I WILL GIVE THE FOLLOWING PERSONAL OPINIONS:
A. THAT GENEVA CONSULTATIONS MIGHT INCLUDE REPRESENTATIVES OF LABOR MINISTERIES(PARA 2 REF A).
B. THAT GENEVA DISCUSSIONS ARE USEFUL IF THE NINE'S POLICY SHOWS PROMISE OF HARMONIZING BASIC U.S. PREMISES (PARA 4 REF B).
C. HOWEVER, THE GENEVA DISCUSSIONS ARE ONLY ONE ELEMENT AND WASHINGTON WILL PROBABLY WISH TO CONTINUE BILATERAL DISCUSSIONS AS WELL (PARA 2 REF A.) DALE

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